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The Weather Today.



The Weather Bureau people predict threatening weather, with possible rain or snow for Washington this afternoon and tonight. It will probably clear up again by tomorrow, besides getting colder, and the winds will blow from the north. The same conditions will probably prevail in Maryland and Virginia.

Havana dispatches to New York papers for the past two days have revealed the fact that refusal of this government to protect its consul general with a naval force at Havana, has led to a local condition seriously threatening the lives of General Fitzhugh Lee, his family, and all American families and citizens within the Spanish lines. The Spanish volunteers of the city, who are much like the Turkish Ham-Bazouks in organization, in blood-thirstiness and cowardice, having learned that the General had asked his government for warships, immediately began to agitate in favor of a general massacre of all Americans within reach. As this project, if executed, might cause some inconvenience to the Spanish government at this particular juncture, Acting Captain General Ansaldo called before him the chiefs of the volunteer battalions, and gave them solemn assurance that the report was absolutely false; that they might safely rely upon the strong friendship for Spain of the American Administration, and, incidentally, that there was no truth in a report, which had added to their excitement, to the effect that the position and town of Bayamo had been carried by the Cuban army.

If citizens of the United States, or their presumed representatives in the Congress, can think of anything more humiliating to our nation than the state of affairs in Havana, thus disclosed, they must excel in imagination the average patriot. Every American head must bow in shame at the thought that the dastardly policy of our State Department should so leave our consul general, and the people under his care, to the tender mercies of a ferocious mob of Spanish cut-throats, when the presence of a few gunboats would have precluded the possibility of danger. It is quite as mortifying to observe that, in the present instance, the danger has been temporarily averted by confident assurances to the mob that the feelings, sympathies, and resentments of the American people do not count; that the Ham-Bazouks may feel secure in continuing their career of outrage and murder, safe in the warm friendship and moral support of an American administration.

Although Greece has been ordered out of Crete, and a scheme of autonomy without Greek influence has been arranged, the prospect of war has not been materially lessened. A leading London paper accuses Lord Salisbury of being "not an Englishman," and of doing the bidding of "that pompous blackguard, Emperor William." A wave of rage and execration has risen in England, and leading press exponents and public men denounce the European coalition, and declare that "there has been a concert of nothing but the shrieks of the dying and the tortured."

While these things are transpiring in Great Britain, the German Emperor telegraphs assurance of his support to his good friend the Sultan. All Greece is arming and threatens to rush over the Macedonian frontier. Turkey, too, is in active preparation for war. Russia still maintains an attitude of unfriendliness toward Greece, while France does not appear very much in evidence, although generally acting in accord with the concert.

A spark may any day fire the train. Salisbury may be driven from his present position and compelled to face about, or suffer complete party rout. In such an event the coalition of the powers would fall in pieces, and a condition of devil-take-the-hindmost, immediately follow. If that were to happen the first shot fired between Greece and Turkey in Macedonia, would set the continent by the ears. Then nothing would be holier than that England, France, Italy and Russia should join with Greece against Germany, Austria and Turkey. Such a situation would furnish a long sought for opportunity for France and the Czar. The day is full of possibilities.

The refusal of Secretary Olney to forward the Senate resolution of sympathy with Greece compels the treaty-making power of the government to buy its own postage stamp. The Senate is being taught a series of object lessons on the subject of impertinent interference in the foreign affairs of its master.

The love feast which is in progress in the United States Senate is instructive. Senator Hoar puts himself in the balance against the historical authorities on Puritan cruelty to Indians, and calls Senator Pettigrew names. Senator Hoar is an excellent authority on Puritan cruelty to anything, including street car conductors.

There is a grain of hope in the possibility that Lord Salisbury's government may be kicked out of power. A liberal ministry might dictate a more humane policy to its American State Department.

Just before his murder Dr. Ruiz managed to write a message to his wife and little

ones on the chair in his dungeon: "To Mercedes, Evangelina, Ricardo, Rene and Gloria: Farewell, children of my life. Be obedient to your mother. I bless you all. I shall be killed. To Rita; my wife, my soul, adios. If I am removed, tell all."

Will the Senate Weaken?
 The satanic and sneering contempt with which the voice of the people, and the despairing cry of American citizens chained in Spanish dungeons, is regarded by Secretary Olney, has found a new and ominous illustration in his action yesterday, in connection with the resolution reported on the same day, by the Senate Committee on Foreign Relations. Warnings from that portion of the press not owned by the foreign money power, or nurtured with Spanish gold, seem lost upon him.

The Senate committee unanimously reported a resolution calling upon the President to demand the immediate and unconditional release of Julio Sangallity, and to require satisfaction for his incarceration in defiance of treaty. Even Senator Sherman warned up from his customary bloodless indifference to the interests or sufferings of a citizenship of which citizenship he forms a part, while his only real allegiance is paid to the syndicated foreign influence that oppresses it. If current report does him not injustice, today he will cool down again and attempt to undo the committee's action.

Upon notice of the resolution at the State Department, we are told that great distress and terror prevailed, and that Mr. Olney promptly sought conference with Senator Sherman, urging him to stop the business at once, and stem the new rising tide of Senatorial American sympathy. The ground alleged was that the resolution might have the effect of delaying the expected release of Mr. Sangallity. The real reason beyond doubt is that the Administration is determined, if it cannot now prevent, to postpone favorable and patriotic action on the Spanish outrages, to the latest moment possible.

That this is and has been the purpose of Mr. Olney is too apparent to require argument. We earnestly beg Senators and Members who happen to be free and unclouded American citizens, to analyze the situation in the light of antecedent and collateral circumstances, and to see if they cannot detect a serious motive in this beyond anything directly connected with the point at issue.

There may, or may not, be a motive which if disclosed would explain the hidden purpose of our foreign office, in allowing the repeated and deadly insults which our flag and honor have sustained, in permitting without action, other than polite and perfunctory "inquiry," the jailing, chaining, beating, starving and butchering of innocent American citizens in Cuba. We will not go so far as to connect such a possible motive with a secret danger which now hangs, and which will grow graver with every hour that shall elapse before the war power of the United States on the waves of the Bay of Havana. This menacing danger lies in the conspiracy at this moment being hatched in Madrid, Vienna and Berlin, and which has for its object a joint naval demonstration of European powers in American waters, in support of Spain and in defiance of the United States.

It would be improper, without overwhelming evidence, to impute complicity with, or even guilty knowledge of, this movement to any one in this country. It may be truthfully and conservatively said, however, that the whole policy and course of the State Department has been well calculated to leave an opening for such a thing to occur, and it is equally true that such intervention would serve the interests of the European financial power that dominates the affairs of the United States, and of the European nations likely to be concerned, better than anything else that could happen.

The duty of the hour is plain. We must seize our advantage while we may. There is no logical or safe course to pursue but for the United States to occupy Cuba without a day's delay.

Being a woman, it must have taken patriotic courage in Queen Olga to discard and return her gorgeous uniform of admiral in the Russian navy.

Sensational Hanna said something at the Canton newspaper banquet to members of the press which may cause trouble; it was: "I offer the sentiment which requires you all to look at the gaslight through the bottom of your glasses." To my recollection of the banquet, I am very truly yours.

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THE TURKISH CONFERENCE.

Noted Editors Present From All Parts of the Country.
 Montgomery, Ala., Feb. 25.—The sixth annual Tuskegee negro conference was held at Tuskegee yesterday. This annual meeting is looked forward to with great interest, and this year was no exception. There was an unusual number of distinguished visitors present. The following are a few who were there from the North: Mrs. C. Armstrong and daughter, Hampton, Va.; Dr. H. B. Fessenden, Hampton Institute; Mrs. Cravath, Fiske University, Nashville; Rev. A. J. McFarland, Beaver Falls, Pa.; Noah C. Rogers, New York City; Misses Pierce and Hatch, Plainville, Conn.; Rev. N. S. Shippey, Dayton, Ohio; H. W. Collingsworth, New York City; W. A. Houston, Richmond, Va.; John Kears, New Haven, Conn.; J. S. McCulloch and J. R. Miller, Knoxville, Tenn.; Capt. Henry Roney, United States Army; Hon. R. L. Smith, Oakland, Tex.; Everett R. Fisk, Boston; Rev. Dr. William D. Howells, Rev. Dr. Rankin, Washington, D. C.; B. M. Thaxter, Boston Journal, and Lindbergh from all points in this State.

For three hours a steady stream of visitors passed through the different workshops and all were interested in what they saw. The conference was then called to order by President Booker T. Washington. The pavilion was decorated in a becoming manner and the school band furnished good music. In his opening address President Washington outlined the purpose of the conference. They are designed for the rank and file of the colored people and to remedy their industrial condition.

A number of the visitors made short talks, and after that it was really an experience meeting. The laboring class was asked to tell what they had done in the way of improving their condition in life, and to hear some of them tell their story in their own language and show how they had been benefited by these conferences was encouraging to those who have given over means to build up the institution. The negroes are encouraged to buy land, build better homes, support the schools and churches and be better citizens in every way.

FLORIDA'S KEY BUILDERS.

Mr. Cushing's Lecture Before the National Geographical Society.

The lecture before the National Geographical Society tomorrow evening at the First Congregational Church will be by Mr. Frank Hamilton Cushing, the well-known ethnologist, who will describe, with the aid of lantern-slide illustrations, the ancient sea-builders and key-builders of Florida.

This will be the first public announcement in this city of the recent discoveries among the remote "keys" or islands of the southern coast of Florida that have added volumes to the prehistoric history—of such a term may be used—of America. The discovery arose from the accidental finding of Capt. Collier, in 1895, of some artifacts that he preserved as curios. These, by great good luck, fell under the notice of Mr. Cushing, whose keen insight and trained knowledge recognized their importance.

An immediate reconnaissance of the region was made, with results that led to the fitting out of an expedition through the cooperation of the Archaeological Association of the University of Pennsylvania, and the United States Bureau of Ethnology.

His success was phenomenal; amid the tropical vegetation, the swamps, inland seas, keys and beaches, there were uncovered the remains of great canals, mounds, water-courses and island cities, with utensils and other relics that, in Mr. Cushing's hands, reveal the history and habits of a vanished nation.

The story, in his vivid words, and with his intense enthusiasm, is a fascinating one, and will doubtless keep the members of the society far beyond the usual time for adjournment.

NEWSPAPER MEN DINED.

Major McKinley Sent an Autograph Letter of Regret.

Canton, Ohio, Feb. 25.—A handsome banquet was given the newspaper correspondents last night who have been in Canton during and since the campaign. Major McKinley, who was prevented by illness from being present, sent the following autograph letter of regret:

"Your kind invitation to be present at my farewell dinner has been received, but it is impossible for me for once to comply with your wishes. Accept my cordial regards and earnest desire for your present and future health, prosperity and happiness. Whatever have been your embarrassments of the year during your campaign or after, since first our acquaintance and association began, I cheerfully bear witness to your uniform courtesy and consideration, and especially your great interest in the work done during your year. The life of a newspaper man is always busy and I know you will make it useful and elevating, so far as you are able. Wish you a pleasant evening and believing you will carry to your homes many kind recollections of Canton and of a hospitable people, I am very truly yours."

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SILVER AND GOLD BLENDING

The Artistic Decoration of the City Begun in Earnest.

The Government Officials Actively at Work on the Public Buildings. New Scheme for Stands.

While the decoration of the city is not yet general there are a great many places on F street, Seventh street, and Pennsylvania avenue where people have taken time and the United States flag by the forelock and have hung the latter multitudinously to the breeze. Possibly by the end of this week there will be red, white and blue enough in town to cover the square measure of the District.

It is not only red, white and blue this time, however, the shades of the shield of one of the parties, is very largely used, and in most cases the amenities of the occasion demand that the yellow and the white should fly in the wind together, so that a compromise in a yellow and white festoon or streamer, one of the big features of the official array of the city.

The decoration of the Treasury Department building was begun yesterday. The rest of this week and the first three days of next week will be devoted to putting the city into appropriate gear for the inauguration. Every available bit of space along the line of march marked out for the military and civil procession has been utilized for the erection of stands for spectators. For no previous event of the kind have so many of these stands been built. All the public relations between the White House and the Capitol have been turned over to the people who secured contracts from the inaugural committee to erect stands. The construction and decoration of these will be uniform and on a scale far beyond anything that has been attempted to artistic effect has been given, so that in place of the tough board structures that met the eyes at previous inaugurations, handsome covered platforms will be the order.

Every stand will have a number of flags and various lengths, each supporting a flag of appropriate size. Chairman Bell, of the inaugural committee, called on President Cleveland yesterday and made arrangements for the usual ceremonial call to be made by the President-elect. This President will take place at 11 o'clock on the morning of March 3. President Cleveland, according to custom, will return the call on the same day.

The inaugural committee has information that the second Regiment of the New Jersey National Guard will probably take part in the parade, notwithstanding the recent adverse action of the State legislature. A telegram received by the committee yesterday says that a detail of the Black Hussars of Chicago, 100 men and equipped with the latest war gear, headed by the governor of Illinois and his staff. The assignment of position in line to organizations ended with provision for the Black Hussars, and no further places in the parade can be given, excepting to the Second New Jersey Regiment.

Maine's Ax-Handle Man.

The ax-handle man is another peculiar worker in the Maine woods, and he lives just as unconventionally and has just as good a time as the hoop-pole man or the gun maker. He frequently accompanies the hoop-pole man in his tours through the woods, and he has very few saplings behind to grow up for the ax-handle cutter. The ax-handle man is about the only one that the latter looks for, and he goes into the woods in the fall and chops down every sapling of the desired size. Young trees are cut down, and the ax-handle man takes the handle in a rough way. When a good collection of handles is thus blocked out they are buried so they may season without cracking. If the sun is allowed to shine upon these ax handles, they will become very dry, and seasoning the fiber loses its firmness. In addition to this precaution the larger ends of the handles are smeared over with a greasy paint that tends further to hold the grain together. In the winter the ax-handle man collects their handles that have been buried throughout the forest at convenient places and send them to the railroad station, and thence to the factory, where they are finished off.—New York Post.

Here's the New Decollete.

A tall thin figured woman, renowned for her elegance in fashionable circles, and her shapely limbs in bicycle costume—she is one of the rare fancies of the monde who rides in knickers, and manages to look well despite the bizarre aspect of her garment on the feminine form divine appeared in a plain, full skirt of silver gray satin, worn in conjunction with a low-cut corsage of amber satin, veiled in finely pleated amber chiffon, of which the corsage was also made. A peculiarity of this corsage was the way in which it was cut across the bust, the line rising gradually from the arm pits toward the center of the chest—so, to be more explicit, it arched over from left to right—and was very simple and neatly, but elegantly trimmed with a gold gimp picked out with turquoise cabochons. Long gray suede gloves with this dress. Row upon row of pearls encircled the neck, over a broad band of black velvet; while across the top of the glossy brown hair, waved and brushed high from the neck, or "squeezed" a pair of jet feathers, tipped with radiants from right to left, and supporting a white algrette in the center.—Paris Fashion Letter.

Odd Items From Anywhere.

Over 400 diamonds are known to have been recovered from the ruins of Babylon. Many are uncut, but most are polished on one or two sides.

Thieves took a book and line through an open window of a house in Monterey, Mexico, and stole the bedclothes, under which the owner of the house was sleeping.

A London cobbler, who analyzed a sample of "hair restorer," sold at half a crown for a two-shilling bottle, found it to contain only common water, with traces of salt and sugar extract.

If all the cows in Illinois were standing heads and tails in single file, the leader might have her nose stuffed in a feed box in Maine, and the last one thoughtfully switched flies in winny Canaan.

A young woman in Virginia got out of a second-story window in her home and walked three miles in her starling gown to the town to join a young man. They eloped to Hagerstown, Md., and were married.

The midnight music of cats so annoyed Jerome Sumners, of Waverly, N. Y., that he hurried out barefooted with his pistol to shoot them. In the yard he stepped on a rusty nail, which caused lockjaw, and in ten days he died.

A trial has been made of a new Sydney dress in hedges, part of Sydney harbor. The diver went down twenty-six and a half fathoms and remained at the bottom fifty minutes. When he came up he showed no signs of distress.

HE IS SORRY FOR NORDICA.

Jean de Reszke Says She Has Had Advisers.

Chicago, Ill., Feb. 25.—Jean de Reszke says "Poor Miss Nordica" with an expressive movement of his shoulders and a ring of regret in his voice. This when he discussed the quarrel he had with the prima donna some weeks ago, and the possibility of a reconciliation. He is sorry for Miss Nordica, he says. He determined not to sing with her until she refrains the charges made against him in firm.

With much frankness the tenor gave his side of the matter, it being the first time he has spoken plainly since hostilities were announced by Miss Nordica. He made a detailed and unqualified denial of her published charges.

"I wrote her a letter. See, heretofore," he said, jumping up and going to a desk, from which he took a sheet of paper. "I asked her to sign this for publication in the newspapers. I did not ask her to retract what she said. Will you read it? Ah, yes. You see, I offered to make up, did I not? I asked her to acknowledge that she had been misinformed—that that not so?—and that she was happy to learn that she had been misinformed."

"What did Miss Nordica do then? I fear that she had had advisers. She refused to acknowledge her mistake. Her husband tried to convince her that she was wrong, but she would not listen. She renewed her charges against me. I could not do more than, after her refusal, I tried to settle the quarrel with Miss Nordica as a gentleman should. I am through."

SIGMA CHI BANQUET.

Greek Letter Fraters Dine and Pledge Themselves and Interests.

The annual banquet of the Greek letter college fraternity of Sigma Chi, of Columbia College, was given last evening at the Hotel Wellington.

The banquet hall was profusely decorated in blue and gold, the college colors. Besides the resident members of the fraternity there were also present delegations from Baltimore, Philadelphia and other cities in Pennsylvania. A letter of regret was read from President Cleveland, who was detained on account of pressing business.

The feast was presided over by Rev. Dr. Wallace Radcliffe, pastor of the New York Avenue Church, who acted as toastmaster.

The local members of the fraternity were responded to by the following gentlemen: A. B. Duvall, Theodore W. Noyes, Rev. E. H. Swann, T. R. Field, Frank L. Biscoe, and S. R. Ireland.

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WINDOW GARDEN DONTS.

Don't over-water at this season; give just enough to keep the soil moderately moist. Don't allow the plants to grow rank and spindling; pinching back and pruning will now be necessary on the plants that are making rapid growth.

Don't waste the cuttings, no matter how small they may be, tuck them down in the moist sand beds, and they will soon root for summer bedding.

Don't fail to burn all the old leaves that are dropped from the plants, and their unsightly appearance when allowed to collect in and about the pots, they will harbor insects that will probably injure the plants.

Don't forget to water the chrysanthemums occasionally, that have been stored in the cellar during the winter. They may soon be started into growth now, and young plants for the spring potting may be started from them.

Don't neglect the Easter lilies now. It is time to begin to force them with small doses of liquid fertilizer to encourage the formation of buds in time for Easter blooming.

Don't allow all the callas to bloom at the same time. It may be necessary to retard some of the plants, in order to keep up a succession of bloom. This may be done by taking them into a cooler room and giving less water.

Don't forget that newly-formed shoots, not too soft, but sufficiently brittle to snap off with a clean break, are the best places to get cuttings, and that these will root most quickly and best in clean sand.

Don't allow a cool draft to blow across the plants in the effort to give plenty of fresh air on pleasant days. The breeze is often cooler than we think, while the sun is warm. Raise the window from the bottom and lower it from the top, just enough, so that there will be no perceptible crack between the sash and either sill, and this will give sufficient ventilation.

Kept Picking Them There.
 "Some time ago," says the Philadelphia Record, "a well-dressed young woman was taken ill in the street, and was removed in an ambulance to a hospital uptown. The woman recovered shortly after admission, and it was then that a peculiar discovery of her gums was noticed. As the doctors at the hospital had never seen a similar case, the woman was requested to remain that it might be examined. After several weeks they gave up in disgust, and the woman was discharged. She had to be taken to the hospital again, and time again by the woman until she had visited nearly every hospital in town. Several physicians became suspicious and laid a plot, which the unsuspecting woman walked into. Strict watch was kept from over a tram car, and just before time for the doctor's visit she was noticed sticking a large needle in various parts of her gums. By the time the doctor arrived her mouth was in a frightful condition."

Lying to the Doctor.
 Two well-dressed women walked down Woodward avenue the other afternoon. They talked loudly enough to be easily heard by others on the street, and from their conversation it was evident that they had just left a doctor's office.

"How is the old doctor?" one of the women asked, "and how is the doctor's wife?" "I am sure he thought you were telling him what was untrue, and I felt so embarrassed."

"Oh, I don't think anything of lying to a doctor," said the other. "It's just paying him back in his own coin. You go to his office, and he asks you a few questions and pretends to know all about what's the matter with you, and he doesn't know at all. Then he charges you \$2 or \$3. He lies just as much as the patients, so it's no harm to lie to him."—Detroit Free Press.

A Young Man's "Coming Out."
 Some of the New York girls are giggling over a "coming-out tea" which a young man is going to give to bring out his younger brother. They are all wondering whether the debutant will carry a bouquet, and there are rumors that vegetable bouquets have been ordered to be sent to him for the auspicious day when he will make his bow to society. It will no doubt be a very attractive affair.—Harper's Bazar.

MUSIC AND MERCY BOXES

The "Golden Minstrel" of the Salvation Army in Washington.

Adjutant Taylor Talked of the Social Work and Told a Times Reporter of His Conversion.

There was not a vacant chair in Salvation Army Hall last night when Adjutant Edward Taylor, the "Golden Minstrel" of the army, stepped upon the platform, guitar in hand, to give, as he expressed it, "a sermon in song." His voice, a sweet, strong tenor, in vibrant with emotion, and his enunciation so distinct that each word was clearly heard at the rear end of the hall.

Adjutant Taylor is thirty-two years of age, and like the majority of those in the ranks, is a convert, having joined the army at Santa Barbara, Cal., over seven years ago. He has been an officer for five years, and is now traveling as a national special with Commander Booth-Tucker to sing songs and to lead in the services of song. He has just come from Philadelphia, where he assisted in the Salvation Army meetings held there Sunday before an audience of over 5,000 people. His visit to Washington is an individual movement; the result of an invitation received while here with the commander to return, when he could arrange a date, to conduct a service at the District barracks.

Adjutant Taylor spoke last evening in the interest of the social work of the army, and at the close of his remarks prevailed upon a number of men and women present to carry home with them small tin "mercy boxes," in which they were to deposit one penny a week—and as many more as they pleased.

When asked to explain what led to his conversion, the adjutant smiled with boyish enjoyment of the question, and said: "Well, I'll tell you. I led eight years of pretty wild life, and I got sick and tired of it. I felt I had to find some power stronger than my own to keep me out of trouble, and as soon as I got to the place where I felt the need of God, I found out that His power was equal to the emergency, and that was how I was saved."

The adjutant will conduct another service tonight at the army hall, and will then leave for a ten days' mission through the New England States. At the end of that time he will re-join Commander Booth-Tucker in New York.

FOOTLIGHT FLASHES.

A man rushed in yesterday and said that twenty-five ladies had been shocked by Anna Held and her troupe of the "Heart of Maryland" ought to prove a strong attraction for them. It has had a wonderful career since Washington first stamped it a powerful original play.

R. A. Barnett declares that it is quite appropriate to say an actor "wears to succeed." For the stage has wings.

There will be no end of soldiers in town next week, and the military features of "Heart of Maryland" ought to prove a strong attraction for them. It has had a wonderful career since Washington first stamped it a powerful original play.

Manager Berger has gone down to Richmond to meet Ed Smith Russell and his company. Mr. Russell will be a guest at the Berger home next week.

The midnight matinee will again be in evidence next week. Visitors in town who have no place to sleep will find this performance convenient, only the managers won't admit that their performance will put them to sleep.

Some one was mean enough to say yesterday that outsiders will have a boom in trade when Georgia Calne arrives, because the footlights are reflected with such intensity from the bald heads in the first row that the eyesight of the rest of the audience will be seriously impaired.

"He will have to play checkers with himself and take a new room every night. But Louis is fond of variety." That was Proprietor Bennett's best proposition at the Arlington for his friend Louis Harrison, of "Lost, Strayed or Stolen," submitted through "Seven-days-ahead" Dunn, who is trying to find room for his numerous family. It's a hard proposition now to find rooms for fifty people in a week.

Who sold this but a New Yorker? Miss Wadsworth—That adventures in the play has a past, has she not?

Her Mother (severely)—I should say so. Miss Wadsworth—Is that what makes her look so pale?

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